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WE ARE NOT THRASH BIN

Today, we were taken aback that Hon'ble Supreme Court has transferred Hon'ble Justice Yashwant Verma back to Allahabad High Court on the ground of his involvement in corruption wherein a sum of Rs.15 crores has been found in his bungalow by the fire department. Newspapers have reported this fact on front page.

The story is that a fire broke out in the residential bungalow of Hon'ble Justice Yashwant Verma and the family members called the fire brigade and the police. After the fire was doused, the police found a huge amount of cash inside a room, leading to official entries being made about the recovery of unaccounted money amounting to Rs.15 crores. Hon'ble Supreme Court has taken cognizance on this matter immediately and the collegeum unanimously decided to repatriate Hon'ble Justice Yashwant Verma to Allahabad High Court. It is pertinent to mention here that Hon'ble Justice Verma was elevated as a judge in Allahabad High Court and was transferred from Allahabad to Delhi High Court in October, 2021.

This decision of the collegeum of the Supreme Court raises a serious question as to **whether the Allahabad High Court is thrash bin?** This matter becomes important when we examine the current situation wherein the Allahabad High Court is short of hon'ble judges and despite the continuous problems, new judges have not appointed since last many years. It is also of grave concern that while appointing judges by elevating members of the Bar, the Bar was never consulted. Consideration of eligibility appears to be not upto the mark. Something is lacking which has resulted in corruption and consequently, a great damage has been caused to the **"public faith in judiciary"**. We cannot say that this situation is not in the knowledge of the Hon'ble Apex Court. Time and again the Hon'ble Apex Court has observed about the Allahabad High Court like **"Something rotten in Allahabad High Court".**

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